

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING ALLAN WERBOW

**HON. BRIAN HIGGINS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, July 22, 2013*

Mr. HIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the extraordinary legacy of Allan Werbow, who is retiring from his position as Executive Director of Temple Beth Tzedek of Amherst, New York, and one of its predecessors, Temple Shaarey Zedek, known as the "congregation," after dedicating over 27 years of service to the synagogue.

A constant presence through the educational programs and activities taking place at the synagogue, Allan has built a reputation as the face of Temple Beth Tzedek.

In addition to his work with the synagogue's programming, Allan ensured its physical structure was kept in peak condition, presenting a positive face for all who used its resources. As Executive Director, Allan kept the congregation operating efficiently for 27 years.

Allan has been a member of Temple Beth Tzedek and its predecessors for more than 45 years. Prior to his duties as Executive Director, he was an active volunteer, committee member and chair, and officer. In recognition of his extraordinary service, Allan has been named Executive Director Emeritus of Temple Beth Tzedek.

Allan's love for his congregation is equaled only by his love of his family. Allan and his wife Myra have raised three sons, Ellis, Michael, and John and have four grandchildren as well as two step grandchildren and have fostered many children over the past 40 years. They are both exemplary members of their community and their service is worthy of recognition.

Mr. Speaker, I thank you for allowing me a few moments to recognize the incredible legacy of Allan Werbow. I am inspired by his boundless capacity for love and devotion to his family and Temple Beth Tzedek. I wish him, his family, and his congregation the best in all their future endeavors.

AURORA SHOOTING ONE-YEAR  
ANNIVERSARY

**HON. DIANA DeGETTE**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, July 22, 2013*

Ms. DeGETTE. Mr. Speaker, it has now been a year since our Colorado community was shaken by an inexplicable and horrific act of violence that left 12 innocent men, women and children dead, and 70 injured. 365 days where the families, friends and loved ones of those lost have been robbed of their laughter, their triumphs, their struggles, and the million little things that made those 12 people unique. I know I join with all my colleagues in the delegation in saying, on behalf of the citizens of

Colorado, we continue to express our deepest thanks for the outpouring of support our community has received from across the nation, since the horrible events at that Aurora theater. All of us in the Denver area still remember where we were when we heard the news, and the immediate fearful and heartbreaking connections we made.

Who did we know in the theater? Whose child or wife or husband or brother wasn't coming home because of the senseless acts of one disturbed and heavily armed young man? My 18-year-old daughter had a friend in the theater just next door; and a friend of our family lost her nephew in the tragedy. Three of the deceased gunned down—including little six-year-old Veronica Moser—lived in my district and were part of the community I have the privilege of representing.

Today we remember the victims of the Aurora theater massacre—the lives they would have and could have led, had they not been gunned down while innocently watching a movie on a Thursday night. We pay tribute to their lives and remind their families and loved ones that they are still in our hearts, our thoughts and prayers; and they will not be forgotten.

But we also owe it to them to stand up and make sure they did not die in vain. Since I've been in Congress, we've had 26 moments of silence on the Floor of the House for victims of gun violence. Let me say that again—26 moments of silence, including one on July 24, 2012 for the Aurora victims, and of course, the moment last December for all the little children killed in Newtown.

Surely we can come together in the name of the victims of Aurora; and Newtown; and Columbine; and Virginia Tech; and Fort Hood . . . and all the others . . . and say once and for all, enough is enough.

### STUDENT SUCCESS ACT

SPEECH OF

**HON. GREGORIO KILI CAMACHO  
SABLAN**

OF NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, July 19, 2013*

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 5) to support State and local accountability for public education, protect State and local authority, inform parents of the performance of their children's schools, and for other purposes:

Mr. SABLAN. Mr. Chair, education is the most important tool we have to encourage economic development. This is true for our country and it is especially true for my district, the Northern Mariana Islands.

If we give our young people a fine education, they will use that education to improve their communities—both economically and by being responsible citizens.

That's why I want to make sure that students in the Northern Mariana Islands get the

same support from our federal government that students in every other part of America receive.

Unfortunately, the current Elementary and Secondary Education Act does not provide parity in federal support for my students.

Title I-A, specifically, by setting aside just one percent of total funding to be shared by the Bureau of Indian Education and the "outlying areas" of American Samoa, Guam, the Virgin Islands, and the Northern Mariana Islands effectively short-changes the students I represent.

Just as Title I students everywhere in America, my students come from families that do not have a lot of money for books and basic supplies and educational experiences. That's why Title I exists: to help make up the difference for students unlucky enough to be born to parents who don't have much money.

But the one percent set-aside in current law—of which only about one-quarter goes to the outlying areas—is not making up that difference.

For that reason, I support the Democratic alternative to H.R. 5.

The Democratic alternative, Mr. MILLER's substitute amendment, acknowledges that a disparity exists. And it offers a solution.

The amendment would reserve one-half of one percent for the outlying areas, exclusively, effectively doubling the current set-aside. Northern Marianas students will still not be getting the same level of federal assistance they would if they lived in a State. Nevertheless, this would be a significant improvement.

To ensure that this increase for the outlying areas will not mean a decrease for States, the enhanced set-aside funding is only triggered when, and if, there is an overall increase in Title I funding.

So, this is only a partial solution and is contingent upon a set of circumstances that at the moment seems unlikely to happen.

But the Democratic alternative does recognize that we have to do something to get us closer to the ideal of equal opportunity for all of our students. For that reason I support the proposal and I thank Mr. MILLER for making it part of his Democratic alternative.

I urge my colleagues to support the substitute amendment.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY  
OF CHARLOTTE CONABLE

**HON. BRIAN HIGGINS**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, July 22, 2013*

Mr. HIGGINS. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the extraordinary life and legacy of Mrs. Charlotte Williams Conable, who passed away on July 19, 2013, at the age of 83.

A Buffalo native, Charlotte Conable helped to bring women's issues to importance all over the world. She was strongly supported in her efforts by her late husband, Honorable Barber

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